

STATE OF WASHINGTON

Office of Healthy Communities
Washington State Department of Health

LEGAL NOTICE

SOLE SOURCE ADVERTISEMENT

The Department of Health's intent is to enter into a sole source contract with Dovetailing LLC. The Department of Health (DOH) received a grant from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Health Resources and Services Administration (DHHS/HRSA) for Early Childhood Comprehensive Systems (ECCS) that requires a collective impact approach to implementing the Universal Developmental Screening system initiative. The ECCS grant is in its last year of funding. Dovetailing will provide technical assistance and facilitation to continue moving forward the work of this collective impact initiative, which is a primary focus of the ECCS grant. It is critical that DOH achieve the work set out for us in this final year of the grant. Collective impact is a complex process, which requires a backbone team and high level strategic partners who work together to achieve the goals of the initiative.

Because of the aggressive timeline of this project, the benefit of "third party" facilitation of collaborative agreements, the need for deep knowledge about the collective impact approach, and the need for understanding of existing efforts and collaborations, we are utilizing Dovetailing LLC, an expert facilitator, who effectively addresses these needs. Dovetailing has effectively worked with DOH for the last year. Dovetailing has also worked with many early learning and health organizations, as well as other partnerships in Washington to develop collaborative structures and take concerted action. They regularly use the Collective Impact approach to support collaborations and have deep-seated expertise in effective action planning. Because of their long-standing work in these areas, they have a strong reputation, and effective working relationships with many of the players at the local, regional and state-levels around this work. They also have familiarity with Universal Developmental Screening through their work on Project Launch and development of the State Early Learning Plan. Drawing on that expertise and coupled with other recent work will also allow DOH to make connections to related efforts on which they have been working (such as Project Launch, Advancing Racial Equity, Rural Home Visiting Project, Infant Toddler Child Care Consultation initiative, Early Learning Regional Coalitions, ECEAP Expansion, Early Achievers, State-Local Coordination Project and the Early Learning Advisory Council).

The contract will be executed with an estimated start date of November 13th.

Offerors contemplating the above work requirements are required to submit capability statements detailing their ability to meet these requirements within five (5) business days of this announcement.

In the absence of other qualified sources, it is the state's intent to make a sole source award of the contract as indicated above.

Please email capability statements to:

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